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THE VALUE OF EDUCATION

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We are approaching that point in time when mankind must look upon life and learning as being synonymous. Even though there are people who do not know how to use an electric stove, have never seen a motion picture, who cannot identify Mickey Mouse or Donald Duck and those who firmly believe that the placing of a man upon the moon by the U.S. was a hoax, our technological advances within the past ten years have greatly exceeded those of the previous thirty years. Thusly, our knowledge will increase even more within the next decade.

Due to the technological advances of our society children born in the 1970s must prepare themselves for at least three professions. During their adulthood, technological advancement will face obsolescense every 8-10 years.

Learning must become a part of life but not specifically for living; to teach and help others, to earn a livelihood, to enhance advancement through knowledgeable contributions and to maintain and sustain the American freedoms - one of which is the freedom of education - one freedom that we should never abuse.

An unhappy person is one who doesn't know what he or she wants and is killing himself or herself to get it.

VETERAN'S EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

The policy of the University of Alaska, Matanuska-Susitna Community College, regarding VA students is; each student attending college and receiving VA educational benefits will sign a statement by the 15th of each month during the semester attesting to the fact that he-she is currently enrolled in an academic program consisting of _____ credits.

Those VA students who do not sign the certification sheet by the 15th of each month will have letters of non-certification submitted to the VA Regional Office on the first Monday following the 15th.

The Veterans Administration requires that any change in student enrollments; drops, withdrawals, added courses or change in major disciplines, be submitted to the VARO immediately.

Your awareness of this policy and timely certification each month will mean more money to you.

HATE

He who accuses others accuses himself.
He who hates others, hates himself most.

HAYES

U OF A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

The field of selection of the president of the University of Alaska has been narrowed to five. Those five being considered for the presidents job are:

Dr. Lawrence K. Pettit, Commissioner of Higher Education for the Montana University System.

Dr. Clyde Wingfield, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at the University of Miami.

Jay Barton, Vice President and Provost at West Virginia University.

Albert Somit, Executive Vice President at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

William Carlson, President of the University of Wyoming.

These are considered the top five of a field of 90 initial applicants.

UA TUITION GOING UP 7 PERCENT

The University of Alaska Board of Regents, faced with a budget cut of $1 million from Governor Jay Hammond and a suggestion that they make up the money by raising tuition, has refused to go all the way with the tuition hike.

Instead of the 20 percent increase proposed by University President Foster Diebold, the regents Friday approved a raise of 7 percent. The 7 percent figure, which follows anti-inflation guidelines of the Carter administration, will raise only about $350,000 of the $1 million the university needs to carry on present programs.

If the increase stands it will mean each undergraduate credit hour for resident students will cost $21.40 instead of the present $20.

The fee for eight or more credit hours in a semester would go from $160 to $171.20. Graduate and non-resident fees would increase by a like amount.

The university administration was given permission to round off the increase but not to go above 7 percent.

ACTION

You cannot do anything by doing nothing.

We are what we do.

HAYES

INSTRUCTOR GOES TO WASHINGTON

What standards, goals or expectations do you have for your community and school libraries? Do you feel that libraries can be meeting needs for cultural enrichment that they are presently not meeting? How much commitment do you wish the federal and state government should make to library support? Questions such as these are the ones Betty Fallon, MSCC English instructor, would like for you to help answer for her in the next few months as she prepares to attend the White House Conference on Libraries and Media Services in late October. Ms. Fallon is one of six delegates elected by the state conference held earlier this month to represent Alaska at the national conference. The Alaska Delegation will be presenting 31 action proposals for supporting and improving library services both on a local and national level. More suggestions and ideas on the proper role of libraries in our communities are always welcome. Betty will be representing all of us in Washington and the more ideas you share with her the better she can act as your advocate in the capitol.

MSCC LOGO (EMBLEM)

The following rules apply for all of those persons entering the Matanuska-Susitna Community College Logo Contest.

1. Each entrant must be a currently enrolled student at MSCC.

2. Only one entry per student.

3. Entry must be on a piece of 8 x 10 typing paper with nothing else on the paper.

4. Each drawing should have no more than three variate colors. Any design having more than three colors will be eliminated from the competition.

5. The students name, address, phone number and education level (freshman, sophmore) should be on a separate piece of paper, 8 x 10, and placed over the drawing, design, etc. The two pieces of paper should be stapled together at the upper left hand corner.

6. Entries will be judged on the basis of orginality, simplicity and significance of meaning.

7. Each entry submitted will be assigned a special number.

8. A select group of two students, two faculty members and two staff members will judge all entries. After the judging has been accomplished, the four selected as the best will be on display.

9. All entries in the contest must be turned into the MSCC office by 10 p.m., April 13, 1979.

10. Those selected as the four best will be submitted to the campus president for his selection of the one which best represents the embodiment of Mat-Su Community College.

11. The winner of the $100.00 will be announced on April 30, 1979.

12. Because of the critical time line established, there will be no entries accepted after 10 p.m., April 12, 1979.

"WHO SAYS"

The U.S. Department of the Interior used to tag migratory birds with metal strips inscribed WASH. BIOL. SURV. - an abbreviation for Washington Biological Survey - until it received an angry letter from a Mat-Su farmer which read: "Dear Sirs: I shot one of your crows the other day. My wife followed the cooking instructions on the leg tag and I want to tell you that was the most gosh-awful tasting bird I ever ate."

GOALS

God gave us two ends to use;
One to think with
One to sit with.

Our lives depend on which we choose;
Heads we win
Tails we lose.

HAYES

INDEPENDENT STUDY
through
MATANUSKA-SUSITNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Individual (Independent) Study courses must be approved. The responsibility for registering for an independent study course rests with the student. Each independent study course must be recorded in the Admission and Records Office and must contain the approval of the teacher and the campus president or his representative.

Teacher's Responsibility:
Each teacher is aware of her/his class workload therefore she/he will determine if the workload will permit supervising an independent study course. The teacher should have the student read this letter of intent if the student plans to enroll in an independent study course.

Student's Responsibility:
The student should be aware that supervision of an independent study course is a privilege. The student will be responsible for meeting all of the teacher's requirements in order to satisfactorily complete the course. Any delay, in excess of the normal semester period, in completing an independent study course is strictly between the student and teacher. The student must initiate all contacts with the teacher and assume all responsibilities for completing the course. Any mailing costs will be paid by the student.

MSCC Administrator's Responsibility:
Once the independent study course has been satisfactorily completed and the teacher reports a grade for the student, MSCC administrative staff personnel will submit the grade(s) to the University of Alaska. Residence credit will be awarded for credit earned by a student through the independent study process.

ACHIEVEMENT

Young people tell what they are doing,
Old people what they have done, and
fools what they wish to do.

ANONYMOUS

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Many students at MSCC have expressed the desire to establish a system of student government. Some students have been assigned specific functions and have assumed the responsibilities relative to doing that particular job. Some students are currently writing a Constitution for the student body at MSCC. The point is this: the student government is functioning well and anyone interested in assisting may contact Eileen Haines, Marrianne Zak, James Kinser or Karl Olsen. Why not become a charter member of the MSCC student government. Be a part of our new growth, a new beginning.

The following are policy statements from the Board of Regents regarding Student Government.

((To be)) A recognized ((as the)) University of Alaska organization for student self-government, ((the Associated Students of the University of Alaska, or any other student group properly constituted, shall not hold or seek to hold separate corporate status)) may not be organized as a corporation.

Student organization for student self-government, must be recognized by the Board of Regents.

At all times the officially recognized organization for student self-government shall cooperate closely with the Office of Student Affairs in the initiation, development, and proper functioning of an appropriate program of student activities and services as an integral part of the total educational experience provided by the University. In accordance with demonstrated ability, the University administration will delegate broad responsibilities in student affairs to the official organization.

The Board of Regents of the University of Alaska ((clearly)) unqualifiedly reserves to itself the ((inherent)) right to assess, collect, and disburse student activity fees from any and all students, whether or not there exists an officially recognized organization for student self-government.

DO IT NOW!

LOCAL CREDITS-BY-EXAMINATION

1. Only currently enrolled students are eligible to request credit-by-examination through the Counseling and Testing Office. When the request is granted, the student may pay the fees for the examination at the Accounting Office and present the receipt at the Counseling and Testing Office.

2. Determination is to what courses are challengable rests with the appropriate departments.

3. A course challenged for credit must not duplicate a course for which credit has already been granted.

4. A person who has audited a class may not request credit via departmental examinations for that class until the subsequent academic year.

5. Departmental examinations may be graded pass/fail or a regular letter grade at the mutual agreement of the instructor and student.

6. Credits earned by examination are not awarded grade point averages.

7. Construction of the challenge examination is the responsibility of the appropriate department.